



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Patent Application No. 10/536,494

Applicant: Hoffmann et al.

Filed: May 24, 2005

TC/AU: 1711

Examiner: Unassigned

Docket No.: 235811 (Client Reference No. 059P 0579)

Customer No.: 23460

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**PETITION TO CORRECT FILING DATE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(D)**

Dear Sirs:

Applicants petition, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(d), that a correction of filing date be granted in the above-identified matter.

**A. Summary**

Applicants purportedly filed the subject patent application on May 24, 2005.

**B. Submission**

In support of Applicants' request the following materials are submitted herewith:

1. A copy of the Utility Application Transmittal with Certificate of Express Mailing corresponding to label number EV420401556US dated May 24, 2005. (Appendix A)
2. A copy of Applicants' return receipt postcard dated May 24, 2005. (Appendix B)
3. A copy of Express Mail Label No. EV420401556US showing the U.S. Postal attendant's incorrect date of May 25, 2005. (Appendix C)

4. A copy of the U.S. Postal Service's "Track & Confirm" email confirming the acceptance date of the package on May 24, 2005. (Appendix D)

**C. Statement**

Attached hereto is a statement, based on personal knowledge of the signatory of the Certificate of Express Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. 1.10, attesting to the May 24, 2005 filing date of the patent application referred to herein.

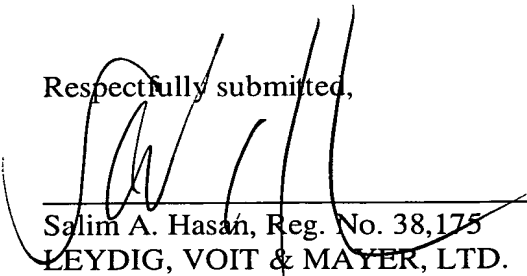
**D. Withdrawal of Time Delay Holding**

Applicants respectfully request acknowledgement that the patent application was filed on May 24, 2005, and that a correct filing receipt be issued accordingly.

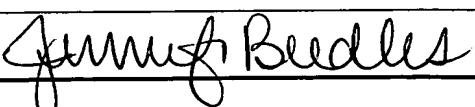
**E. Charge**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 12-1216 the Petition fee in the amount of \$130.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Date: July 19, 2006

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Signature		Date	July 19, 2006



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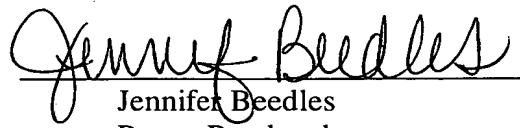
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**STATEMENT ATTESTING TO FILING OF CORRESPONDENCE  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.10**

Dear Sirs:

1. My name is Jennifer Beedles. I am a patent paralegal for the firm of Leydig, Voit & Mayer, Ltd.
2. On May 24, 2005, I deposited the above-identified patent application with the U.S. Postal Service via Express Mail No. EV420401556US. A copy of the Utility Application Transmittal with corresponding Certificate of Express Mailing dated May 24, 2005 is attached as Appendix A and a copy of Applicants' return receipt postcard dated May 24, 2005 is attached as Appendix B.
3. The postal attendant wrote "May 25, 2005" as the "Date In" on the Express Mail Label. A copy of Express Mail Label No. EV420401556US, showing the incorrect date of May 25, 2005, is attached as Appendix C.

4. The U.S. Postal Service accepted the Express Mail package on May 24, 2005. A copy of the U.S. Postal Service's "Track & Confirm" confirming the mailing date of the patent application on May 24, 2005 is attached as Appendix D.

  
Jennifer Beedles  
Patent Paralegal

Date: July 19, 2006

# Appendix A

PTO-1390 (May)



TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>235811</b>
		CLIENT REF. NO. <b>059P 0579</b>
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1 <b>Unassigned</b>
		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>17 December 2002</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/EP03/014364</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>17 December 2003</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>COPOLYAMIDES</b>		

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US  
**Hoffmann et al.**

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371 and 37 CFR 1.491.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371 and 37 CFR 1.491.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)).
4. ☐ The US has been elected (PCT Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has previously been submitted under 35 U.S.C.V. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 USC 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)).
11. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ Paper Copy
  - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

Items 12 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:

12. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
  - ☒ Form PTO-1449
  - ☒ Copies of References (except for U.S. patents and applications)
13. ☐ An assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
14. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
16. ☐ A substitute specification.
17. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
18. ☒ Application Data Sheet Under 37 CFR 1.76
19. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
20. ☐ Other items or information:

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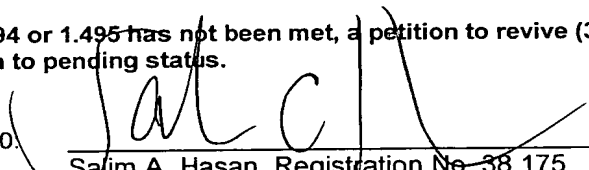
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a. ☐ No fee is believed to be due.b. ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 the total fee indicated above.c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

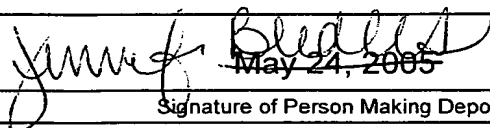
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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<p>I hereby certify that this transmittal document with respect to the U.S. national phase of the above-referenced International Patent Application, including all of the items listed thereon as enclosures, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p>			
<b>Jennifer Beedles</b> Typed or Printed Name of Person Making Deposit		 <del>May 24, 2005</del> Signature of Person Making Deposit	

# Appendix B



THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE IS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED TO PLACE ITS STAMP ON THIS POSTAL CARD AND PLACE IT IN THE OUTGOING MAIL TO SHOW THE FOLLOWING PAPERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

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Attorney: SAH

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- ☐ CON; ☐ CIP; ☐ DIV; ☐ Non-prov. of prov.; ☐ Provisional; ☒ National stage of PCT
- ☐ Small entity status is claimed.
- ☒ Transmittal letter in duplicate. Total pages 6
- ☒ Application Data Sheet. Total pages 5
- ☒ Specification. Total pages 14
- ☒ Claims. Total pages 4
- ☒ Abstract. Total pages 1
- ☐ Drawings. Total pages \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. Total pages \_\_\_\_\_. ☐ Executed; ☐ Unexecuted
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- ☒ Preliminary Amendment. Total pages 6
- ☐ Nucleotide/Amino Acid Sequence Listing Submission and Statement.
- ☐ Computer-readable
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- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement in duplicate. Total pages 8
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# Appendix C

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# Appendix D

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